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UNITED STATES JUDICIAL PANEL on MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE: YASMIN AND YAZ (DROSPIRENONE) MARKETING, SALES PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS LIABILITY

MDL No. 2100

#### TRANSFER ORDER

Before the entire Panel\*: Plaintiffs in the Central District of California action and six Northern District of California actions listed on Schedule A move, pursuant to Rule 7.4, R.P.J.P.M.L., 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), to vacate our orders conditionally transferring the actions to the Southern District of Illinois for inclusion in MDL No. 2100. Defendants Bayer Corp., Bayer HealthCare LLC and Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals Inc., formerly known as Berlex, Inc., formerly known as Berlex Laboratories, Inc., on its own behalf and as successor by merger to Bayer Pharmaceuticals Corp. (collectively Bayer) oppose the motions to vacate.

After considering all argument of counsel, we find that these actions involve common questions of fact with the actions in this litigation previously transferred to the Southern District of Illinois, and that transfer of these actions to the Southern District of Illinois for inclusion in MDL No. 2100 will serve the convenience of the parties and witnesses and promote the just and efficient conduct of the litigation. We further find that transfer of these actions is appropriate for reasons that we set out in our original order directing centralization in this docket. In that order, we held that the Southern District of Illinois was a proper Section 1407 forum for actions sharing factual questions relating to at least one of the drospirenone-containing oral contraceptives Yaz and Yasmin, which are manufactured by Bayer. See In re Yasmin and Yaz (Drospirenone) Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litigation, 655 F.Supp.2d 1343 (J.P.M.L. 2009).

Plaintiffs in the actions before the Panel can present their motions for remand to state court to the transferee court. See, e.g., In re Ivy, 901 F.2d 7 (2nd Cir. 1990); In re Prudential Insurance Company of America Sales Practices Litigation, 170 F.Supp.2d 1346, 1347-48 (J.P.M.L. 2001).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407, these actions are transferred to the Southern District of Illinois and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable David R. Herndon for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings occurring there in this docket.

Date 4/6/10

Judges Miller and Trager took no part in the decision of this matte SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

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### SCHEDULE A

## Central District of California

Rindy Andrews v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 2:09-9154

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## Northern District of California

Stevie Fanning v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-5374 Karen Knauer, et al. v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-5387 Heather Schroeder, et al. v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-5845 10 -20244-DRH-PMF Lekecia C. Milam v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-5902 Jennifer Metzger, et al. v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-5965 Nadine Camara, et al. v. Bayer Corp., et al., C.A. No. 3:09-6084

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